

# Baryon Resonances from a FLIC Fermion Action in Lattice QCD

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# Introduction to lattice QCD

- Complete solution of QCD  $\equiv$  knowing all possible Minkowski space Green's functions of the theory.
- Implies for every possible combination of quark and gluon operators,  $O[\hat{A}, \hat{\bar{q}}, \hat{q}]$ , we need to know

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Omega | \hat{T} \left( O[\hat{A}, \hat{\bar{q}}, \hat{q}] \right) | \Omega \rangle &= \frac{\int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{D}\bar{q} \mathcal{D}q O[A, \bar{q}, q] \exp(iS[A, \bar{q}, q])}{\int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{D}\bar{q} \mathcal{D}q \exp(iS[A, \bar{q}, q])} \\ &= \frac{\int \mathcal{D}A \det [S_F^{-1}[A]] O[A, S_F[A]] \exp(iS[A])}{\int \mathcal{D}A \det [S_F^{-1}[A]] \exp(iS[A])}, \end{aligned}$$

- Note that  $S[A]$  is the pure gluon (i.e., pure gauge) action.
- $|\Omega\rangle \equiv$  nonperturbative vacuum,  $\hat{T} \equiv$  time-ordering operator,  $S_F([A]; x, y) \equiv$  tree-level quark propagator in gluon field,  $A$ .
- $O[A, S_F[A]] \equiv \{O[A, \bar{q}, q]$  with every possible pairwise contraction of  $\bar{q}$  and  $q$  replaced by the propagator  $S_F([A]; x, y)\}$

# Introduction to lattice QCD (contd)

- It is numerically convenient to work in Euclidean space, where all quantities are now Euclidean. So we need to know

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Omega | \hat{T} \left( O[\hat{A}, \hat{q}, \hat{q}] \right) | \Omega \rangle &\equiv \frac{\int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{D}\bar{q} \mathcal{D}q O[A, \bar{q}, q] \exp(-S[A, \bar{q}, q])}{\int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{D}\bar{q} \mathcal{D}q \exp(-S[A, \bar{q}, q])} \\ &= \frac{\int \mathcal{D}A O[A, S_F[A]] \det[S_F^{-1}[A]] \exp(-S[A])}{\int \mathcal{D}A \det[S_F^{-1}[A]] \exp(-S[A])}\end{aligned}$$

- There is one factor of  $\det[S_F^f[A]]$  for each quark flavor  $f$ , i.e., we use the notation  $\det[S_F^{-1}[A]] \equiv \prod_f \det[S_F^f[A]]$ .
- Can study many observables from Euclidean space.
- We will only sample gauge inequivalent  $A$ 's and hence for observables (i.e., for color singlet  $O[\hat{A}, \hat{q}, \hat{q}] \Rightarrow$  **won't have to bother with gauge fixing!**)

# Introduction to lattice QCD (contd)

- The lattice approximates infinite Euclidean space by a four-dimensional discrete space-time lattice, where
  - $a \equiv$  lattice spacing, (typically  $0.1 \sim 0.2$  fm).
  - $N_s$  and  $N_t$  are number of lattice sites in space and time directions respectively.
  - $L_s = N_s a$  and  $L_t = N_t a$  are physical length of lattice in space and time directions respectively.
  - $V = L_s^3 \times L_t \equiv$  physical lattice volume;  $N_s^3 \times N_t \equiv$  lattice volume in lattice units.
- Introduce **links**,  $U_\mu(x) \equiv U(x, x + a\mu) \in SU(3)$ , between sites in the Cartesian directions  $\mu = 1, \dots, 4$ . Links replace the gluon fields  $A_\mu(x) \equiv \sum_{a=1}^8 A_\mu^a(x)(\lambda^a/2) \in SU(3)$ .
- Links are parallel transport operators
$$U_\mu(x) = \hat{P} \exp \left( ig_s \int_x^{x+a\mu} dx' \cdot A(x') \right), \text{ where } \hat{P} \equiv \text{path ordering.}$$

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- We can express the gauge field in terms of finite differences of links, i.e., we can always express  $A_\mu(x)$  as  $A_\mu([U], x)$ .
- We can generate an **ensemble** of gauge field configurations,  $\{U_1, \dots, U_{N_{cf}}\}$  weighted with the probability distribution 
$$P[U] \propto \det[S_F^{-1}[U]] \exp(-S[U]) \equiv \Pi_f \det[S_F^f[U]] \exp(-S[U]).$$
  - Will never have two gauge equivalent configurations in a finite ensemble  $\Rightarrow$  no gauge fixing needed.
  - Since we need  $1 \geq P[U] \geq 0$  and since  $\det[S_F^f[A]]$  is real, then we want to simulate with degenerate mass flavor pairs, (i.e., so that  $\det[S_F^{-1}[U]] \equiv \Pi_f \det[S_F^f[A]] \geq 0$ ).
  - Techniques exist for unpaired flavors, but are more difficult.
  - We frequently approximate  $P[U] \propto \exp(-S[U])$ , which omits the determinant and is equivalent to omitting all quark loops  $\Rightarrow$  this is called the **quenched approximation**.

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- Hence we can now evaluate the Euclidean Green's function for any color-singlet  $O[\dots]$  by simply taking its **ensemble average**

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Omega | \hat{T} \left( O[\hat{A}, \hat{q}, \hat{q}] \right) | \Omega \rangle &\equiv \langle O[U, S_F[U]] \rangle \\ &= \frac{\int \mathcal{D}U O[U, S_F[U]] \det [S_F^{-1}[U]] \exp(-S[U])}{\int \mathcal{D}U \det [S_F^{-1}[U]] \exp(-S[U])} \\ &= \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N_{\text{cf}} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{cf}}} O[U_i, S_F[U_i]]}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{cf}}} 1} \\ &= \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N_{\text{cf}} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N_{\text{cf}}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{cf}}} O[U_i, S_F[U_i]] \end{aligned}$$

# Observables from Euclidean Space

- We move from **Minkowski space**  $\rightarrow$  **Euclidean space** by the **analytic continuation**:  $t \rightarrow -it_E$  or in a different notation  $x^0 \rightarrow -ix_4$ .
- Thus the **Minkowski-space** evolution operator, becomes the **Euclidean-space** version:  $\exp(-i\hat{H}t) \rightarrow \exp(-\hat{H}t_E)$ .
- Note that replacing  $t_E$  with  $\beta \equiv 1/kT$  and taking the trace gives the **partition function** of statistical mechanics:

$$Z(\beta) \equiv \text{tr}[\exp(-\beta\hat{H})] = \sum_n \exp(-\beta E_n).$$

- Consider ordinary Quantum Mechanics in the presence of some conserved charge operator  $\hat{Q}$ . Since  $[\hat{H}, \hat{Q}] = 0$  we have:
  - $\hat{H}|E_n^q\rangle = E_n|E_n^q\rangle$  and  $\hat{Q}|E_n^q\rangle = q|E_n^q\rangle$ , where  $E_n$  and  $q$  are the energy and charge e-values respectively.
  - $\Rightarrow$  Hilbert space is divided up into **charge sectors** labelled by  $q$ , where **any** state  $|\chi^q\rangle$  in the  $q$  charge sector can be written as:  $|\chi^q\rangle = \sum_n c_n |E_n^q\rangle$  for some  $c_n$ .

# Observables from Euclidean Space (contd)

- Let  $|\Omega\rangle$  be the ground state (i.e., vacuum) of the system. Then

$$\hat{H}|\Omega\rangle = \hat{Q}|\Omega\rangle = 0$$

- Define the Schrödinger picture operators  $\hat{\chi}^q$  and  $\hat{\chi}^q$  such that

$$\langle\chi^q| = \langle\Omega|\hat{\chi}^q \quad \text{and} \quad |\chi^q\rangle = \hat{\chi}^q|\Omega\rangle.$$

- In **Euclidean space** the Heisenberg picture operators are:

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- Then we can define the correlation function:

$$\begin{aligned} G(t_E) &\equiv \langle\Omega|\hat{\chi}^q(t_E)\hat{\chi}^q(0)|\Omega\rangle = \langle\chi^q|\exp(-\hat{H}t_E)|\chi^q\rangle \\ &= \sum_{n=0} |c_n|^2 \exp(-E_n^q t_E) \end{aligned}$$

- For large  $t_E$  can extract first few energies in the  $q$  charge sector, e.g.,  $E_0^q = \lim_{t_E \rightarrow \infty} (1/t_E) \ln G(t_E)$ , *etc.*

# Setting The Scale

- Use the **Static Quark Potential**

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = V_0 + \sigma r - e \left[ \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}} \right] + l \left( \left[ \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}} \right] - \frac{1}{r} \right)$$

where  $\sqrt{\sigma} = 440\text{MeV}$  and  $\left[ \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}} \right]$  denotes the tree-level lattice Coulomb term

$$\left[ \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}} \right] = 4\pi \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \cos(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}) D_{00}(0, \mathbf{k}),$$

and  $D_{00}(k)$  is the time-time component of the gluon propagator.

- In the continuum limit,

$$\left[ \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}} \right] \rightarrow \frac{1}{r}$$

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- The calculations reported here were carried out on the Orion supercomputer. Orion consists of
  - 40 Enterprise E420R Sun nodes
  - Each node has 4 Ultrasparc II 450 MHz processors
  - Each of the 160 processors has 1 GByte of RAM and 4 MBytes of cache
  - All 40 nodes are interconnected by both Myrinet and fast ethernet
  - Each node has a peak speed of 3.6 Gflops
- Orion has a total peak theoretical speed of 144 Gflops and has 160 GBytes of RAM and 640 MBytes of cache.
- Orion has a measured performance of 110 Gflops with the Linpack benchmark
- Here is a [photo of Orion](#).

# Naive Lattice Fermion Action

- The continuum **Dirac operator**,

$$\mathcal{D} = \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu + i g A_\mu),$$

is discretized by:

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- The continuum Dirac action is recovered in the limit  $a \rightarrow 0$  by **Taylor expanding** the  $U_{\mu}$  and  $\psi(a + \hat{\mu})$  in powers of the lattice spacing  $a$ .

# The Naive Action (2)

- Hence we arrive at the simplest (“naive”) lattice fermion action,

$$S_N = m_q \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x)\psi(x) + \frac{1}{2a} \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x)\gamma_\mu \left[ U_\mu(x)\psi(x + \hat{\mu}) - U_\mu^\dagger(x - \hat{\mu})\psi(x - \hat{\mu}) \right].$$

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- This **doubling problem** is demonstrated by the inverse of the free field propagator (obtained by taking the fourier transform of the action with all  $U_\mu = 1$ ).

$$S^{-1}(p) = m_q + \frac{i}{a} \sum_{\mu} \gamma_{\mu} \sin p_{\mu} a$$

which has 16 zeros within the Brillouin cell in the limit  $m_q \rightarrow 0$ . eg,

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\mu} &= (0, 0, 0, 0) \\ &= (\pi/a, 0, 0, 0) \\ &= (\pi/a, \pi/a, 0, 0), \text{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$

# The Wilson Action

- Wilson introduced an **irrelevant** (energy) dimension-five operator (the so-called Wilson term) to fix this problem,

$$M_W = m_0 + \sum_{\mu} \left( \gamma_{\mu} \nabla_{\mu} - \frac{1}{2} r a \Delta_{\mu} \right),$$

where

$$\nabla_{\mu} \psi(x) = \frac{1}{2a} [U_{\mu}(x) \psi(x + \hat{\mu}) - U_{\mu}^{\dagger}(x - \hat{\mu}) \psi(x - \hat{\mu})]$$

and

$$\Delta_{\mu} \psi(x) = \frac{1}{a^2} [U_{\mu}(x) \psi(x + \hat{\mu}) + U_{\mu}^{\dagger}(x - \hat{\mu}) \psi(x - \hat{\mu}) - 2\psi(x)].$$

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which explicitly breaks chiral symmetry at  $\mathcal{O}(a)$ .

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- In this manner, one can improve fermion actions at finite  $a$  by combining operators to eliminate  $\mathcal{O}(a)$  and perhaps  $\mathcal{O}(a^2)$  errors etc.

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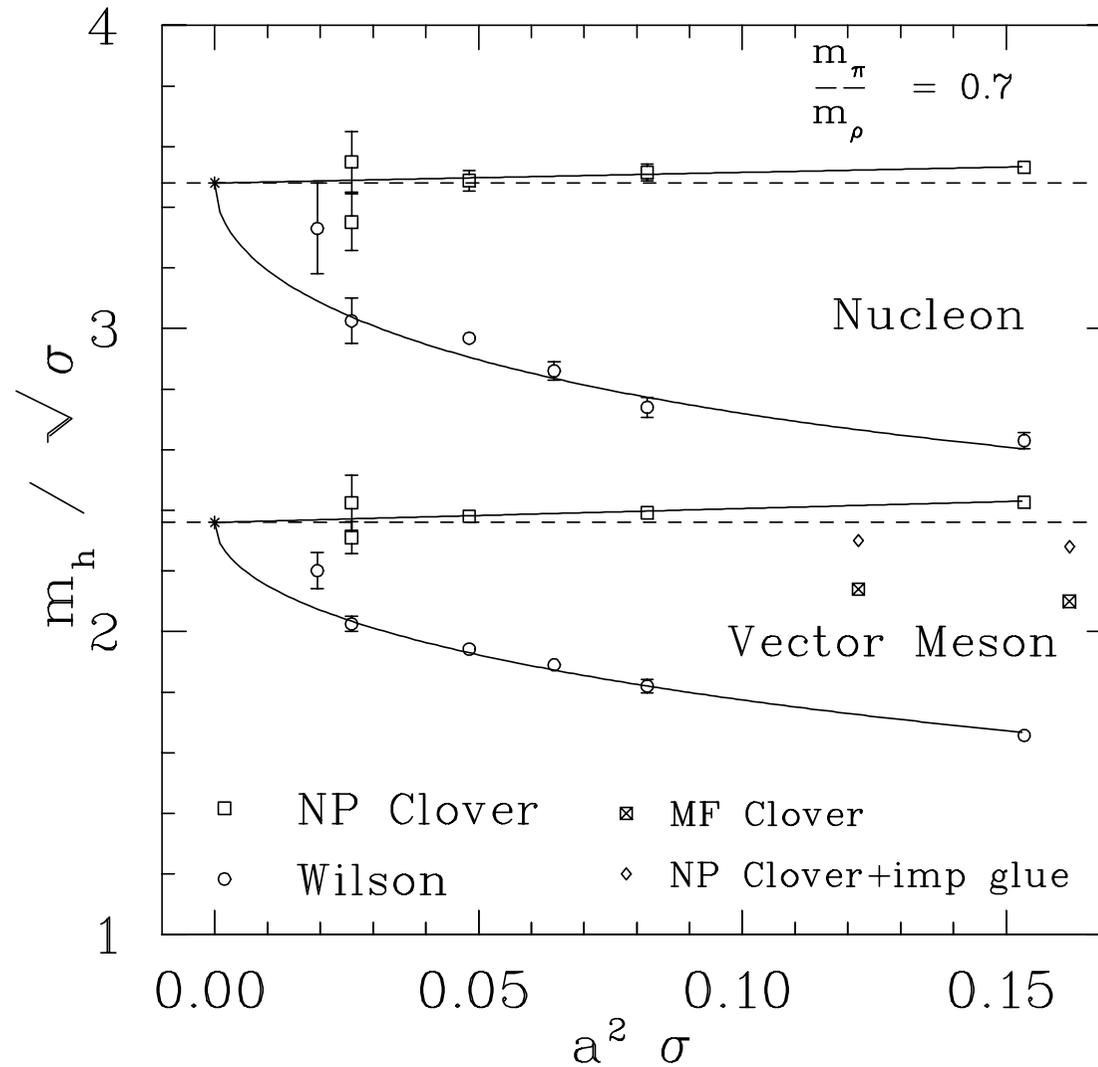
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- Non-perturbative  $\mathcal{O}(a)$  improvement (ALPHA Collaboration) - tune  $C_{SW}$  to all powers in  $g^2$ .
- The NP-Improved Clover action displays **excellent scaling**.

# Clover Scaling Edwards, Heller, Klassen, PRL 80:3448-3451, 1998



# The Difficulties with NP Clover

- The Clover action is responsible for revealing the **exceptional configuration** problem.
- The quark propagator encounters singular behaviour
  - as the quark mass becomes light,
  - as the lattice spacing becomes large.
- Chiral symmetry breaking in the action shifts continuum zero modes into the negative mass region.
- Accessing the light-quark mass regime is
  - Computationally intensive.

# Difficulties with NP Clover

- The single plaquette-based  $F_{\mu\nu}$  has large  $\mathcal{O}(a^2)$  errors.
- Constructing the topological charge via

$$Q = \sum_x q(x) = \sum_x \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \text{Tr} (F_{\mu\nu}(x) F_{\rho\sigma}(x))$$

- Implementing on smooth (cooled) configurations
- Reveals  $\sim 10\%$  error in topological charge  
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- Irrelevant operators are constructed with **smearred fat links**.

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where  $F_{\mu\nu}$  is constructed using fat-links.

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- Highly improved actions with many irrelevant operators (eg. D234) can be handled with confidence.
- Highly improved definitions of  $F_{\mu\nu}$  involving terms up to  $u_0^8$  may be used.

# Lattice Simulations

- Calculations were performed using a **mean-field improved, plaquette + rectangle, gauge action** on a  $16^3 \times 32$  lattice at  $\beta = 4.60$  ( $\beta = 6/g^2$ ), with lattice spacing  $a = 0.122(1)\text{fm}$ .
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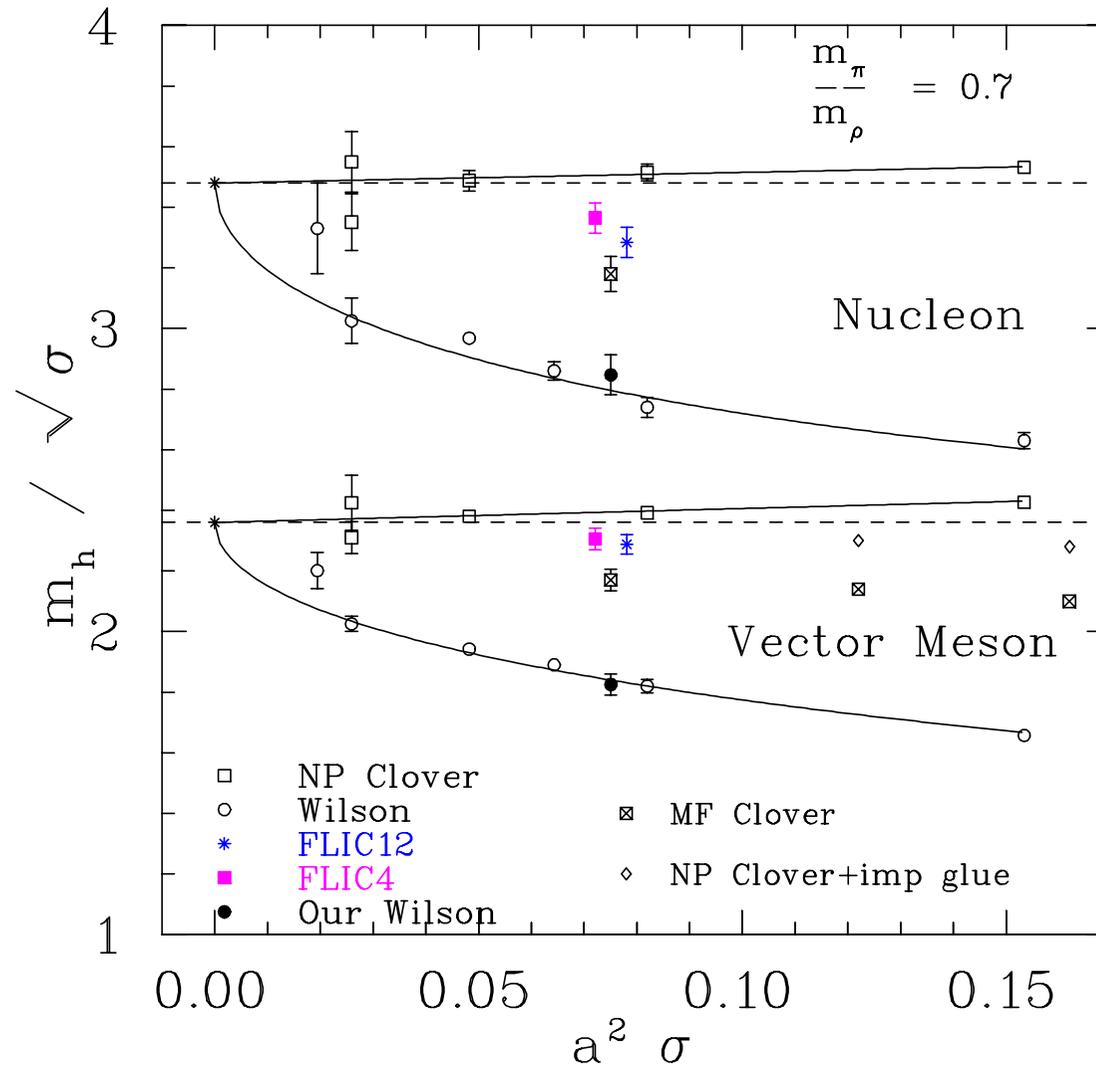
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- The source was created at a space-time location of  $(x, y, z, t) = (1, 1, 1, 3)$ .
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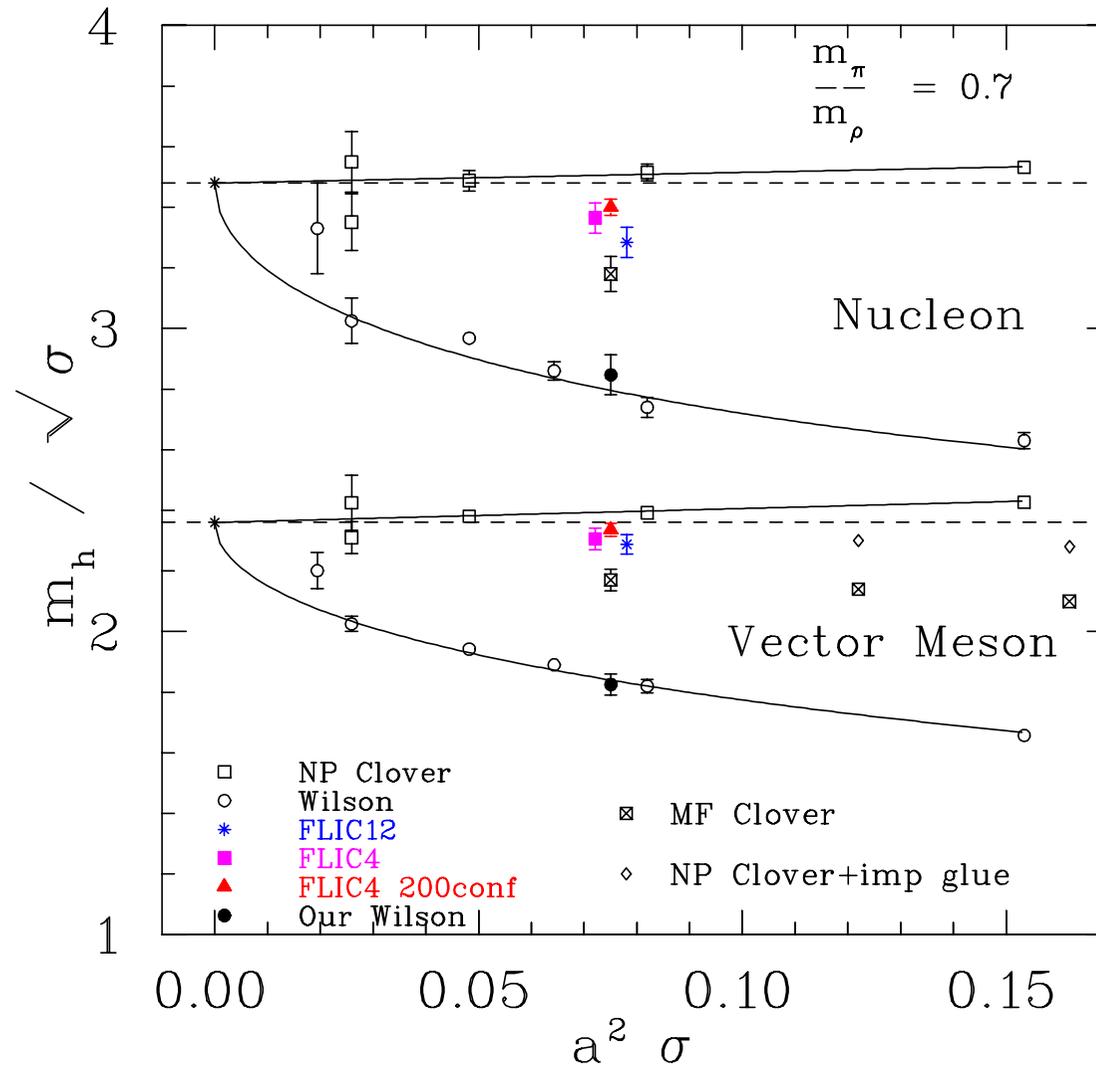
# The Lattices

| $\beta$ | $a(\text{fm})$ | $L^3 \times T$   | Length(fm) |
|---------|----------------|------------------|------------|
| 4.38    | 0.165          | $12^3 \times 24$ | 1.980      |
| 4.60    | 0.122          | $12^3 \times 24$ | 1.464      |
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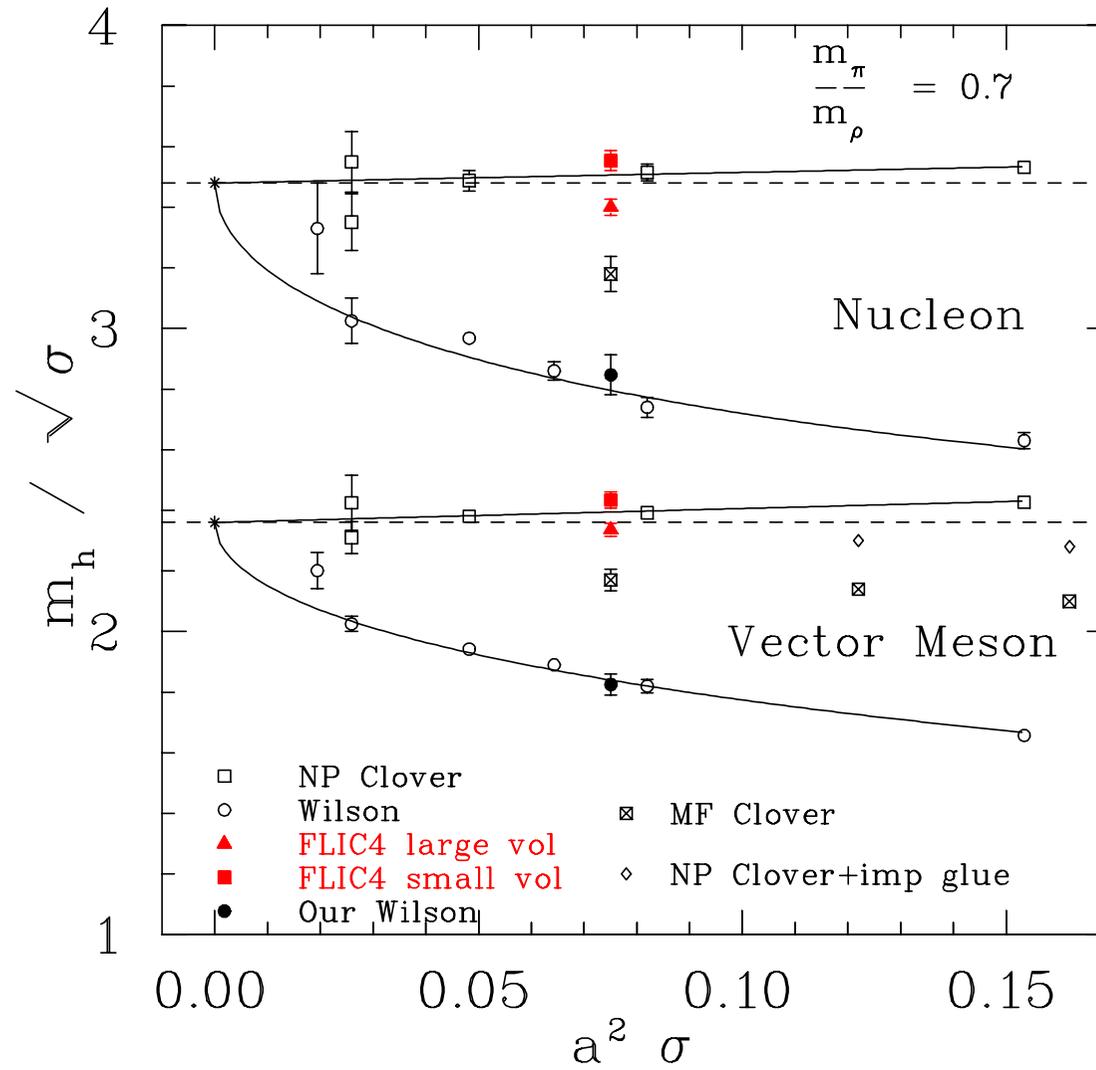
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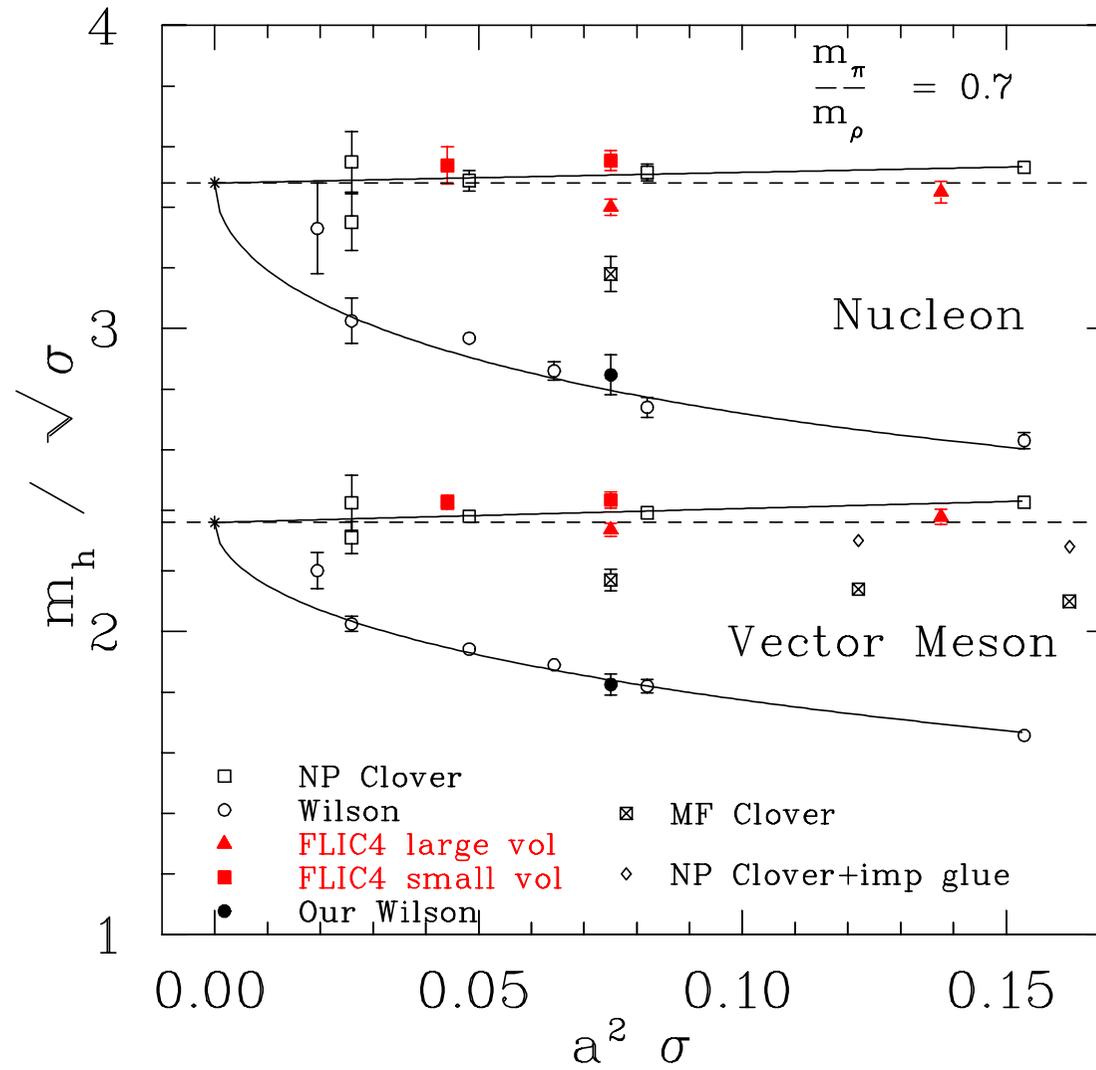
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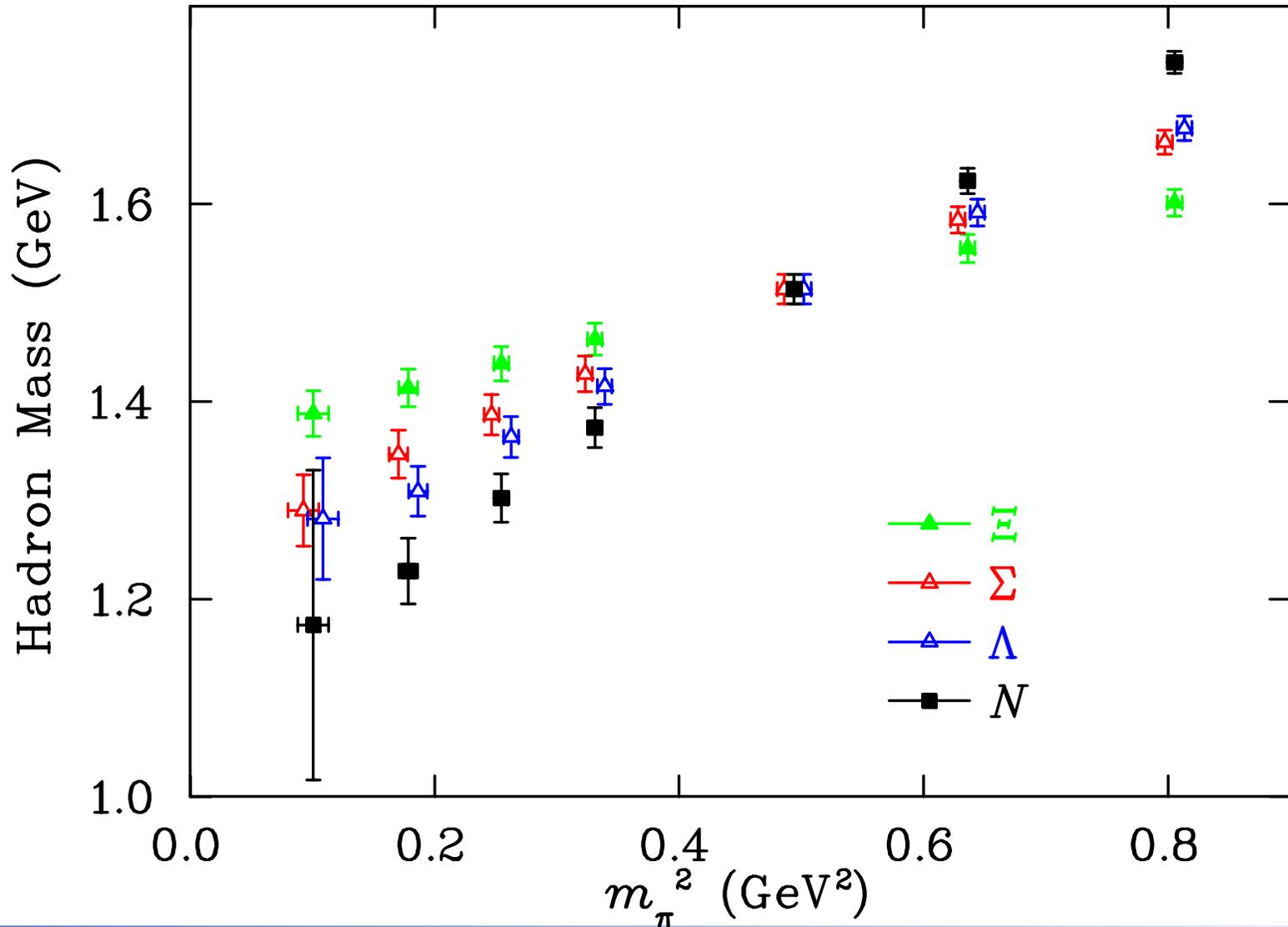
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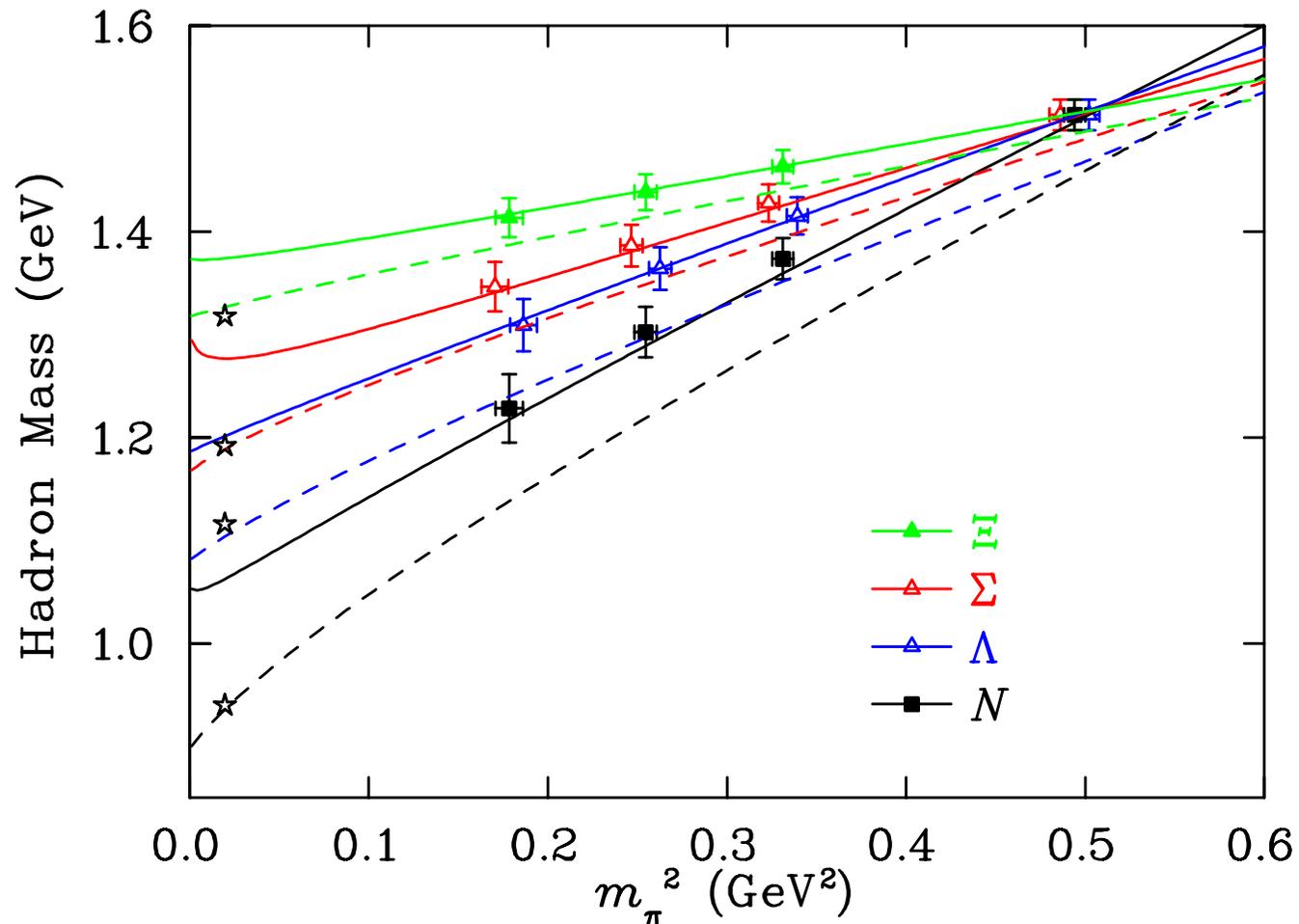
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# Octet Baryons with Light Quark Masses



# Chiral extrapolation (incl unquenching)

Estimate of physical limit using chiral extrapolation and unquenching phenomenology [R. Young, D. Leinweber, A. Thomas, et al.](#)



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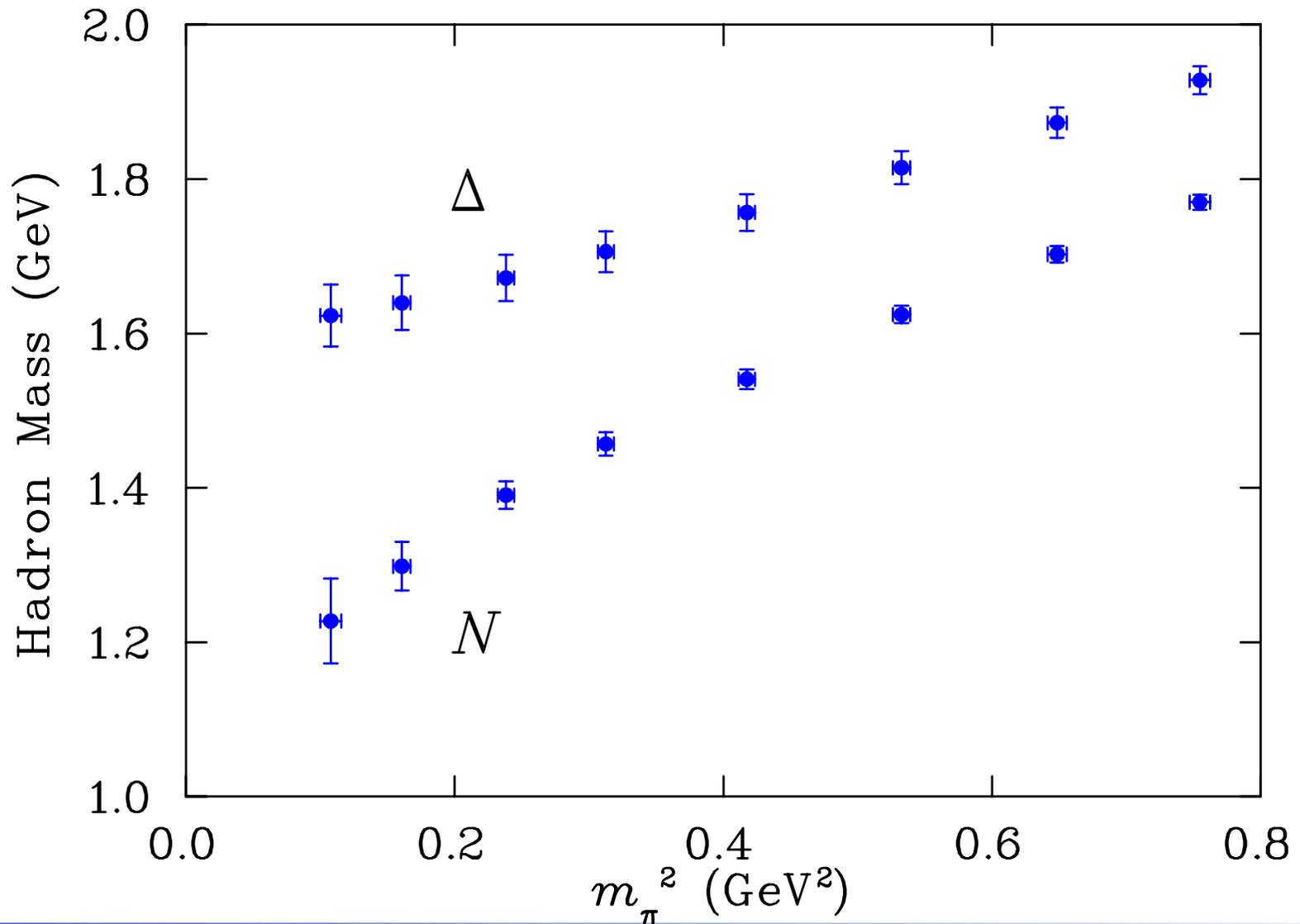
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# New Simulations with Light Quark Masses



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# Survey of $N^*$ Calculations

- Leinweber  
Phys. Rev. D **51** (1995) 6383  
 $N'(1/2^+)$ , Wilson fermions, OPE-based spectral ansatz
- Lee & Leinweber  
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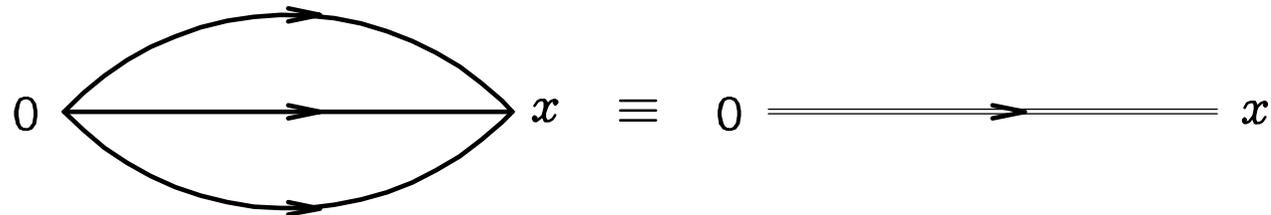
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- Sasaki, Blum & Ohta  
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 $N^*(1/2^-)$ ,  $\Delta^*(3/2^-)$ , non-perturbatively improved clover quark action
- Nakajima, Matsufuru, Nemoto & Suganuma,  
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- Project **positive** or **negative** parity masses by taking trace of  $G$  with

$$\Gamma_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \gamma_4) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \text{ (0)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \text{ (I)} \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Interpolating Fields

- Positive parity proton interpolating fields:

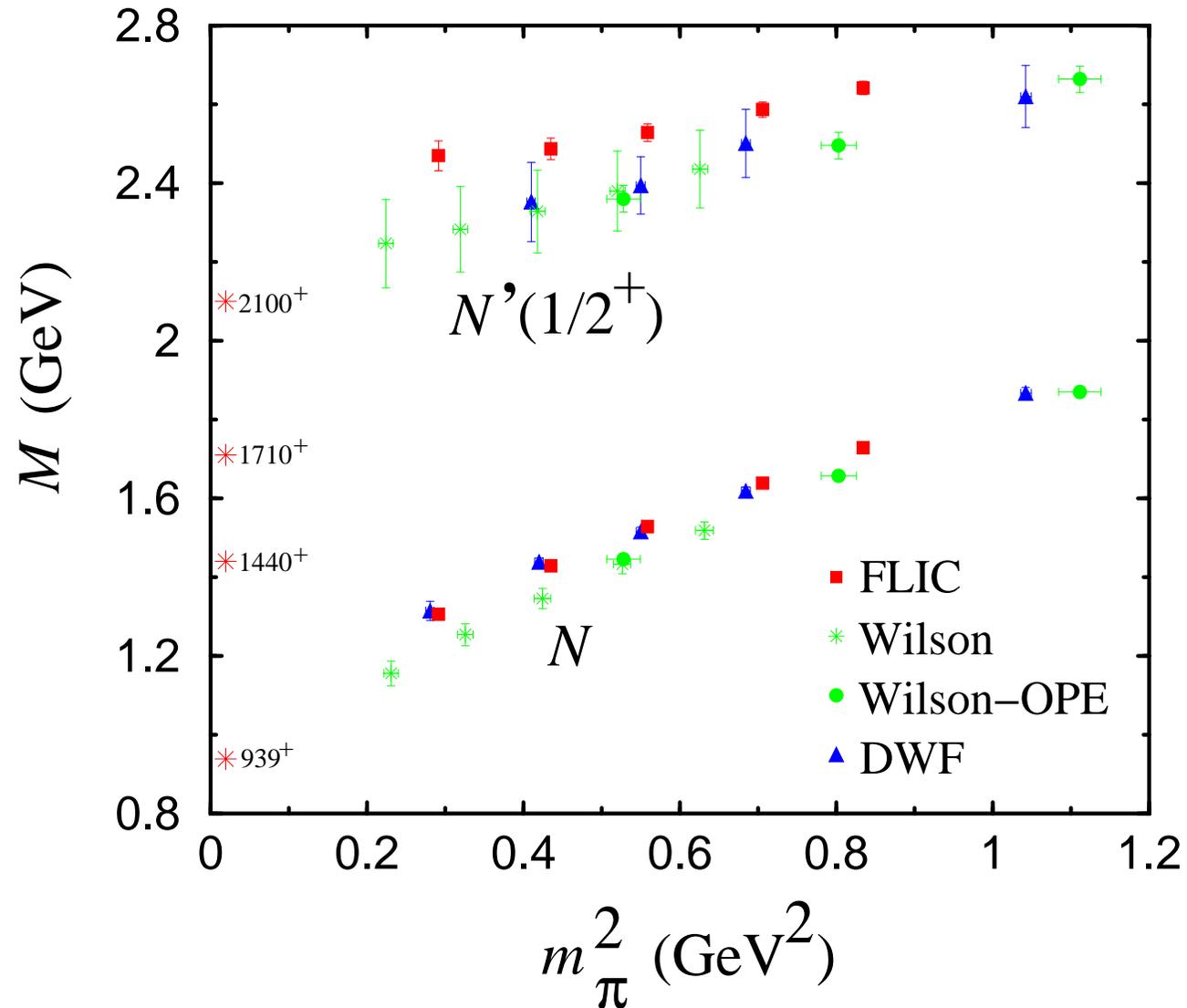
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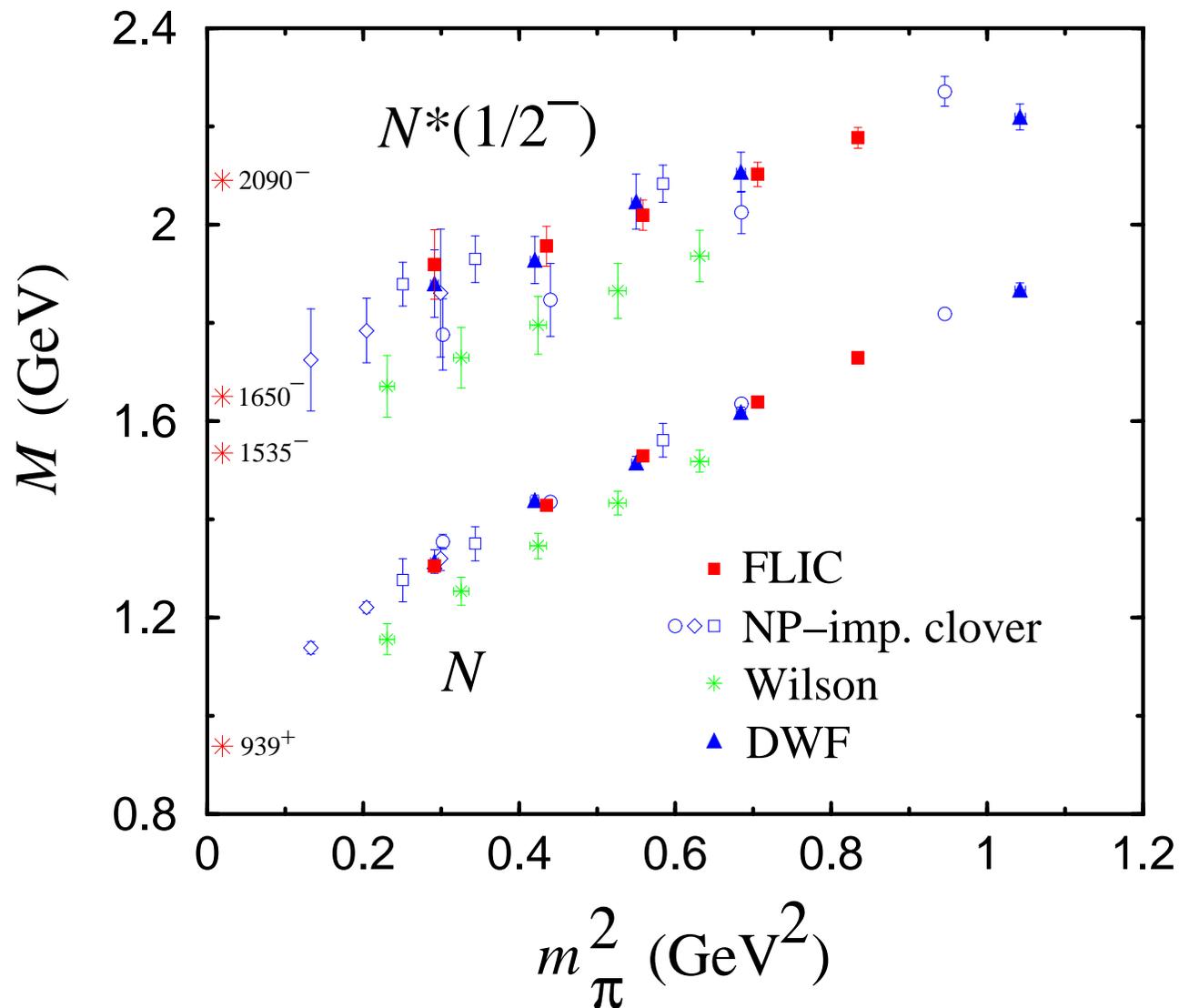
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- $\chi_1$  involves *upper*  $\times$  *upper*  $\times$  *upper* components.
  - “diquark” ( $u^T \cdots d$ ) couples to spin 0 (attractive).
  - $\chi_1$  is  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  in the nonrelativistic limit.
- $\chi_2$  mixes *upper*  $\times$  *lower*  $\times$  *lower* components.
  - $\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \Rightarrow$  relative  $\ell = 1$ , “diquark”
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  - Known to have little overlap with ground state.

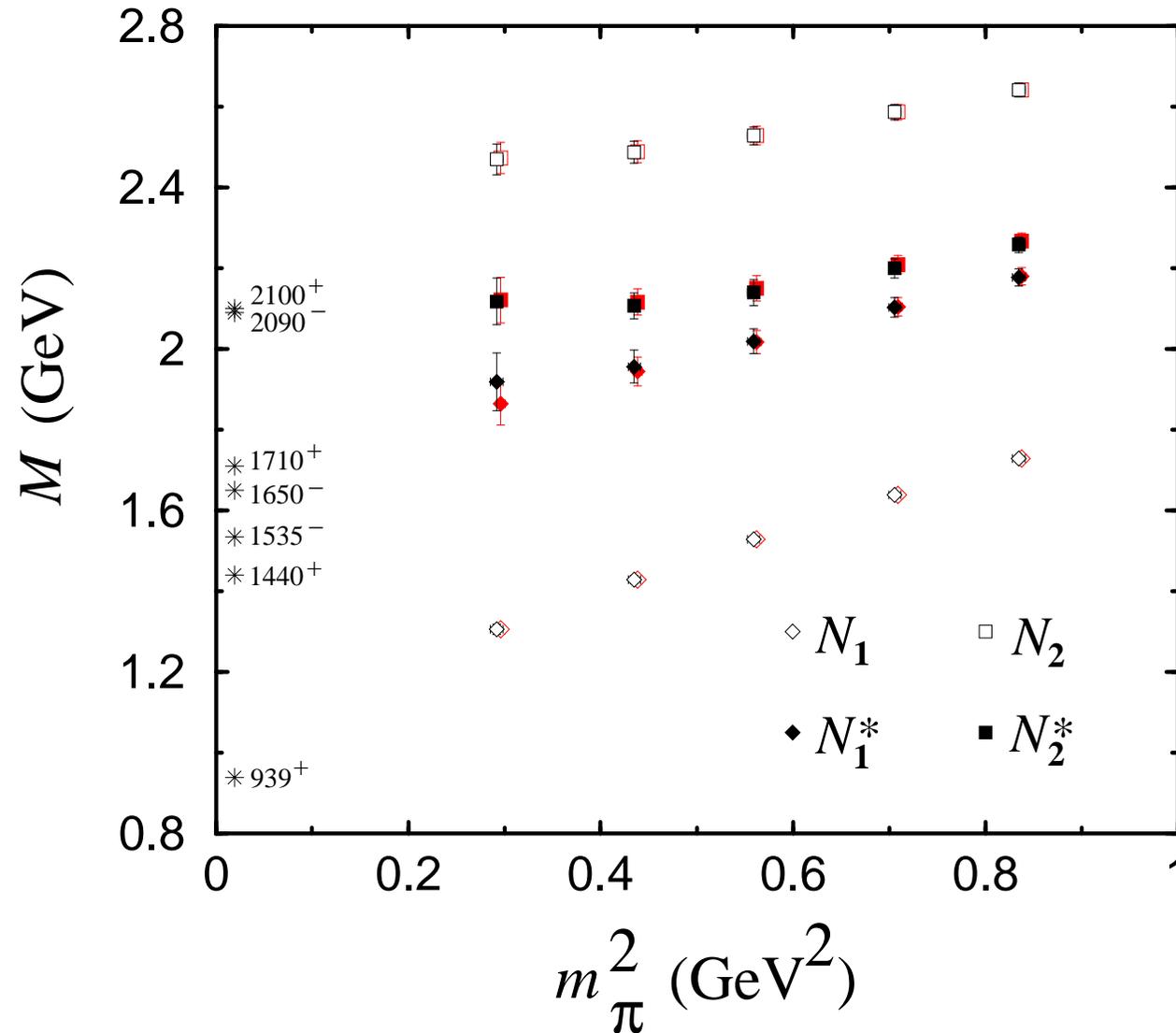
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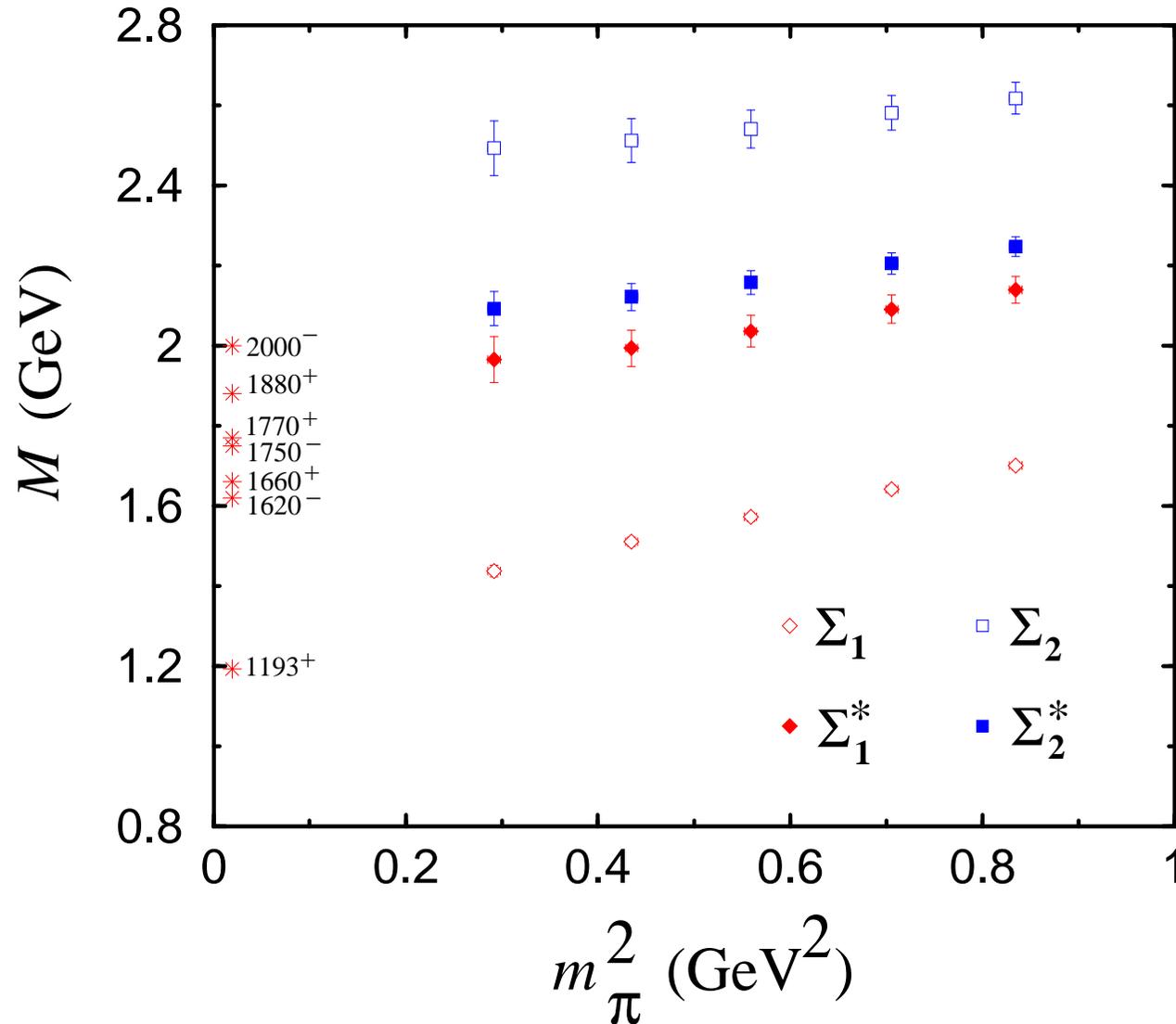
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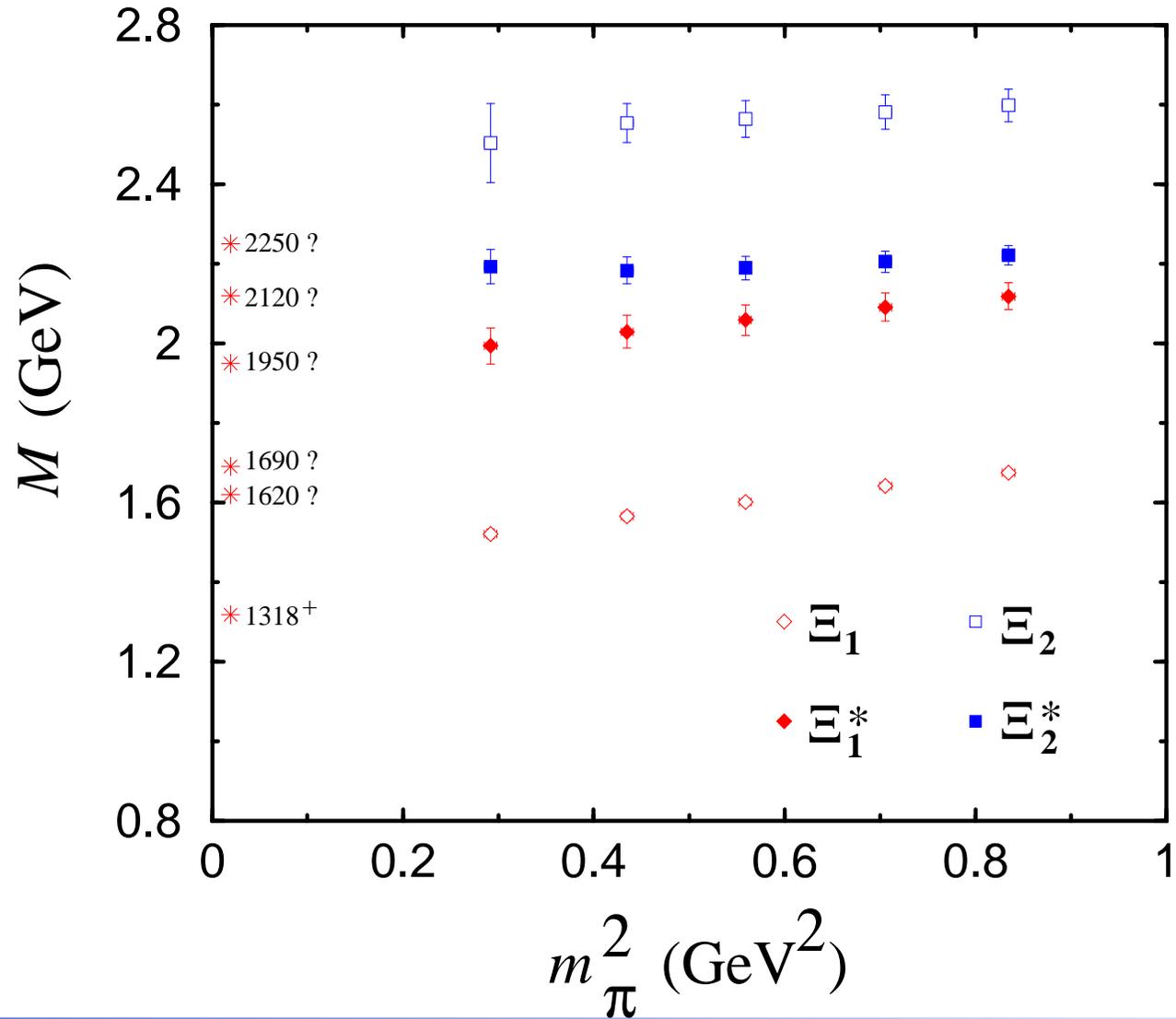
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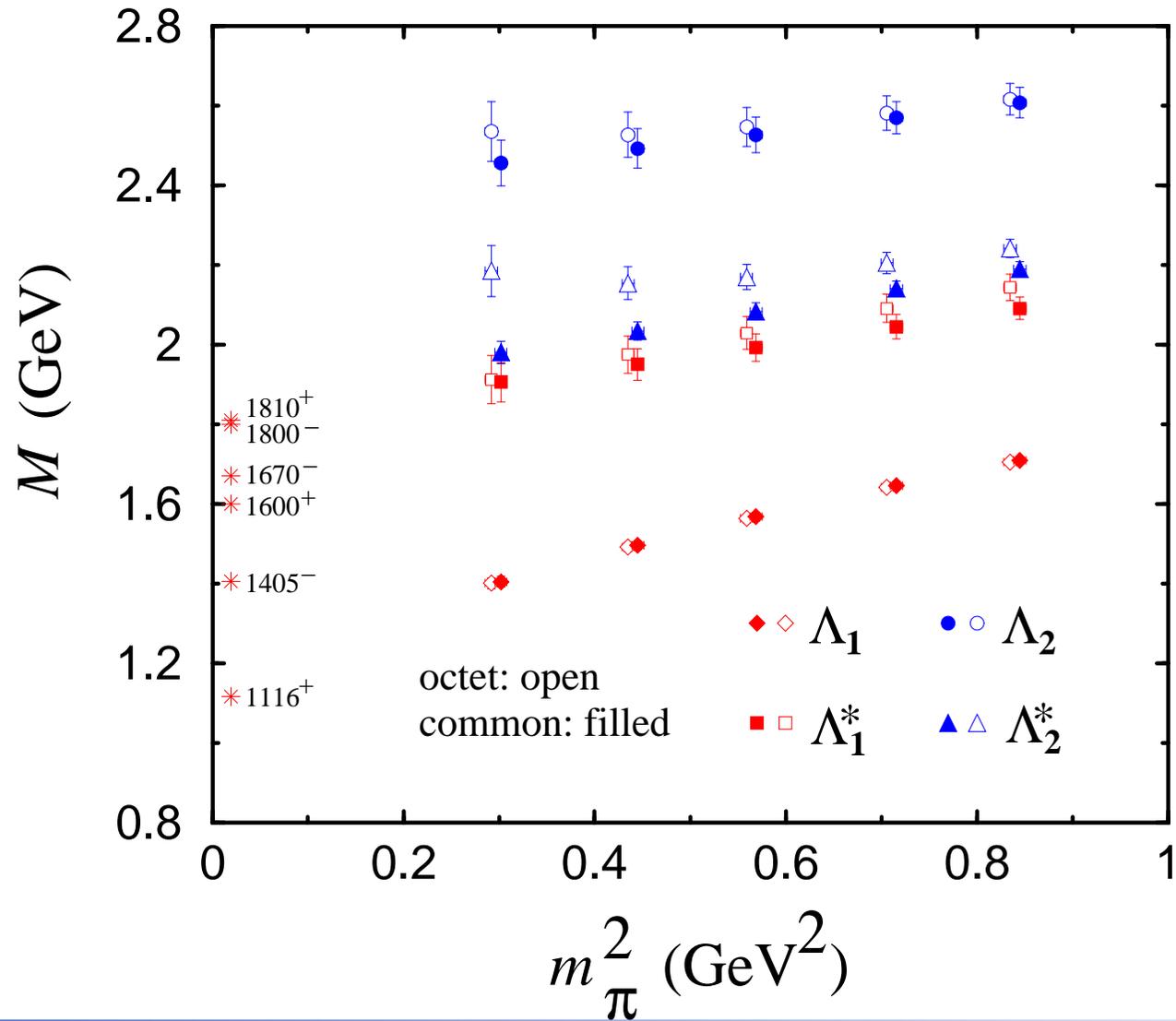
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- We consider:
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- The SU(2)-isospin singlet  $\Lambda$  interpolating field.
- The latter contains terms **Common** to both the
  - SU(3)-flavour octet interpolator, and
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- No SU(3)-flavour representation bias in  $\Lambda$ -common.

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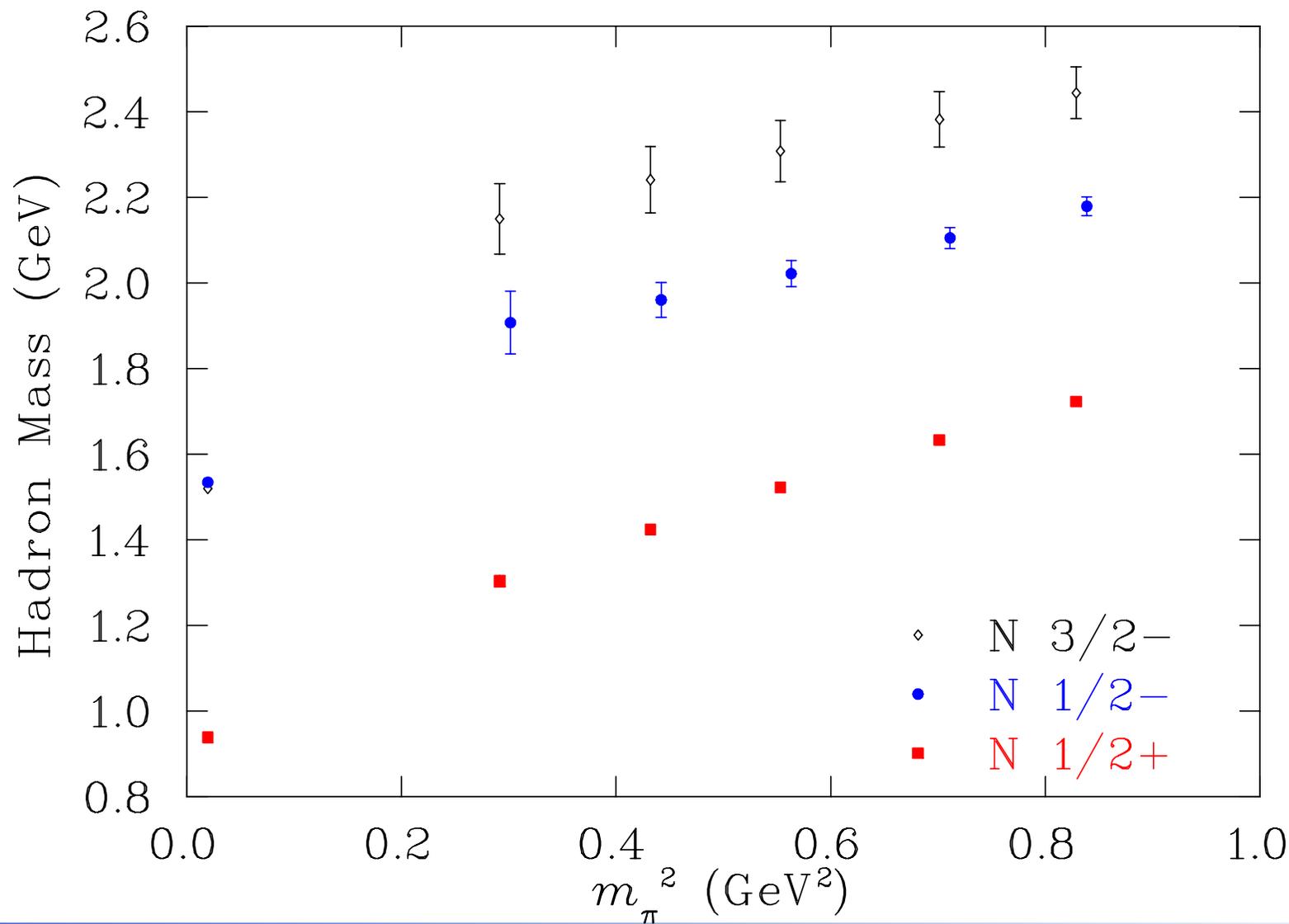
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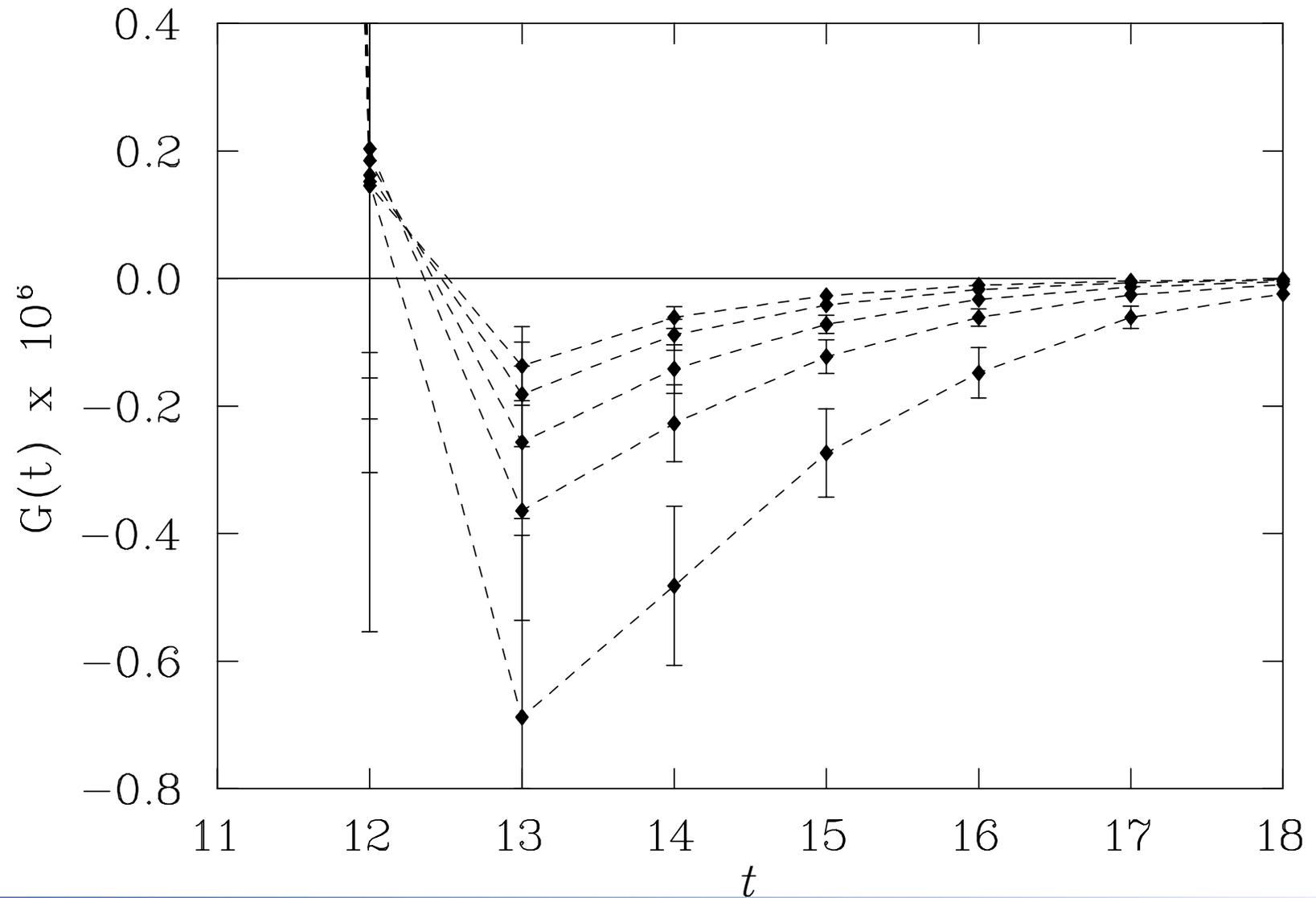
- Computational cost is **64 times the proton** correlation function.
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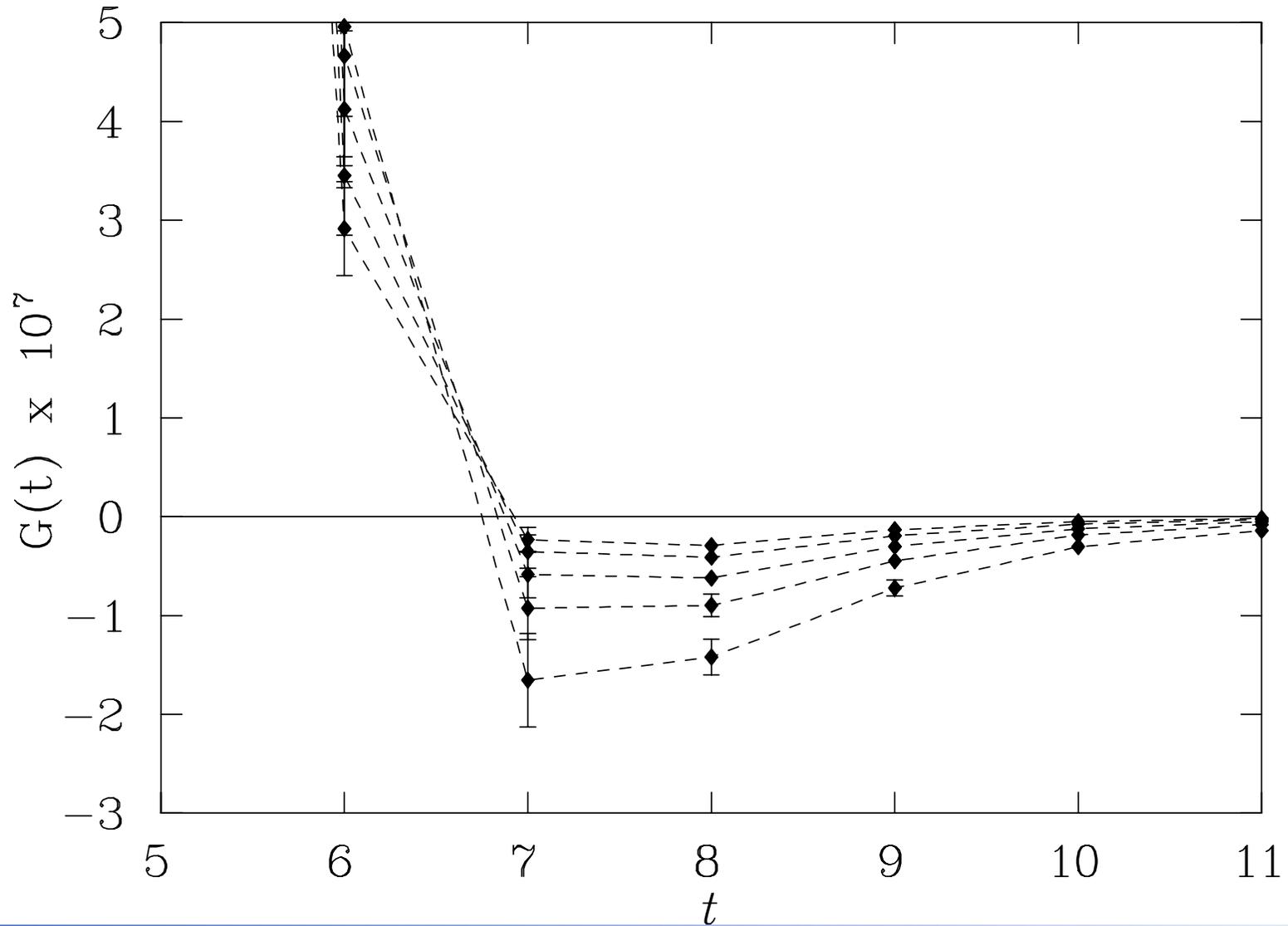
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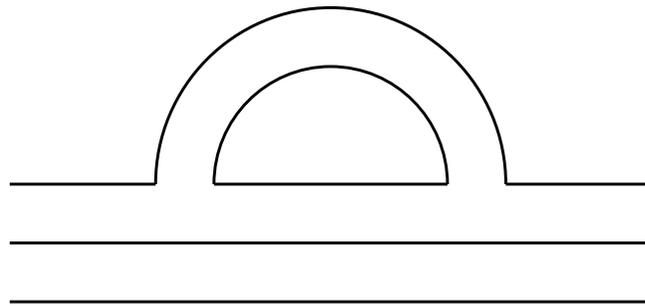


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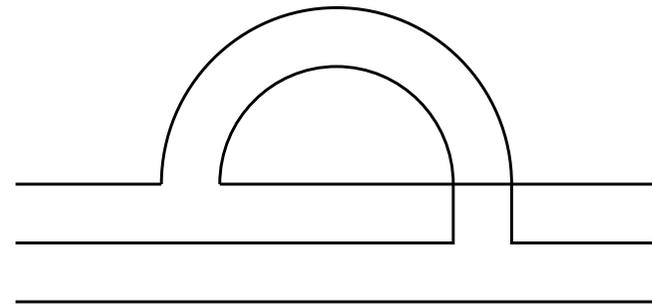


# Quenched Chiral Nonanalytic Behavior

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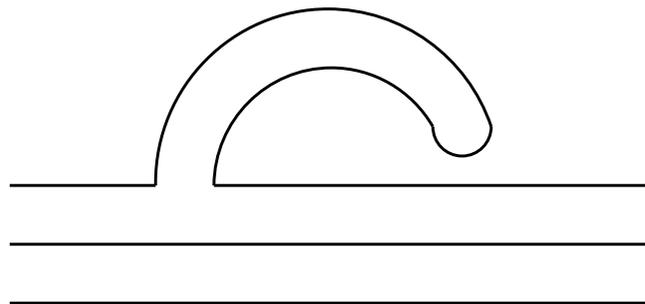


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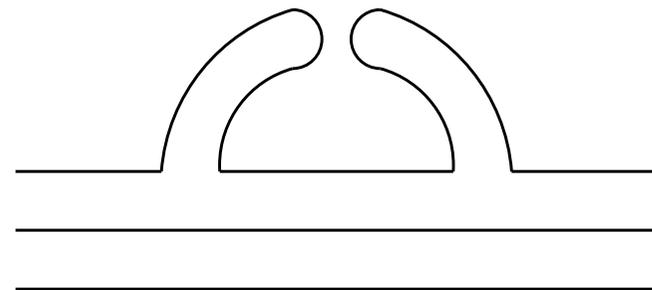


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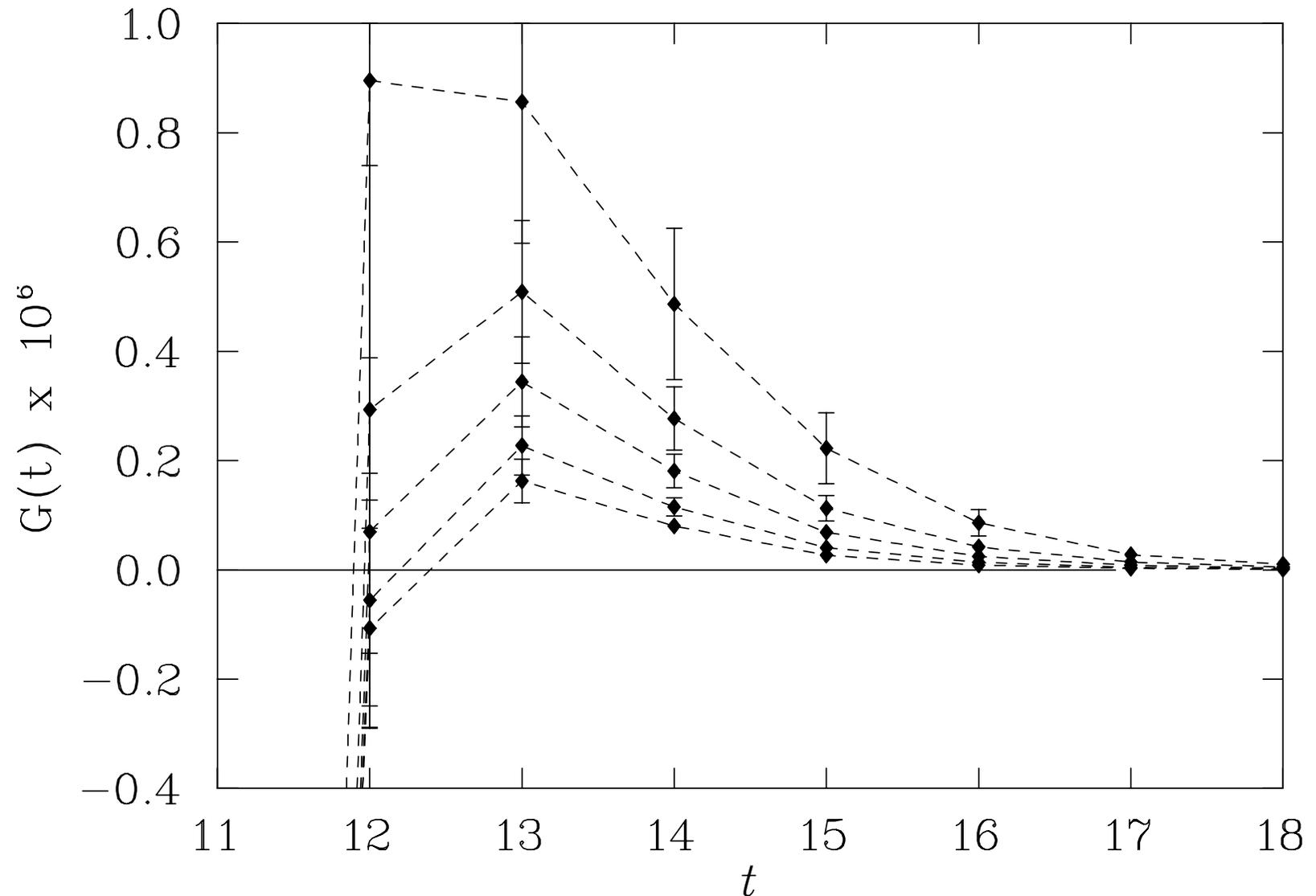
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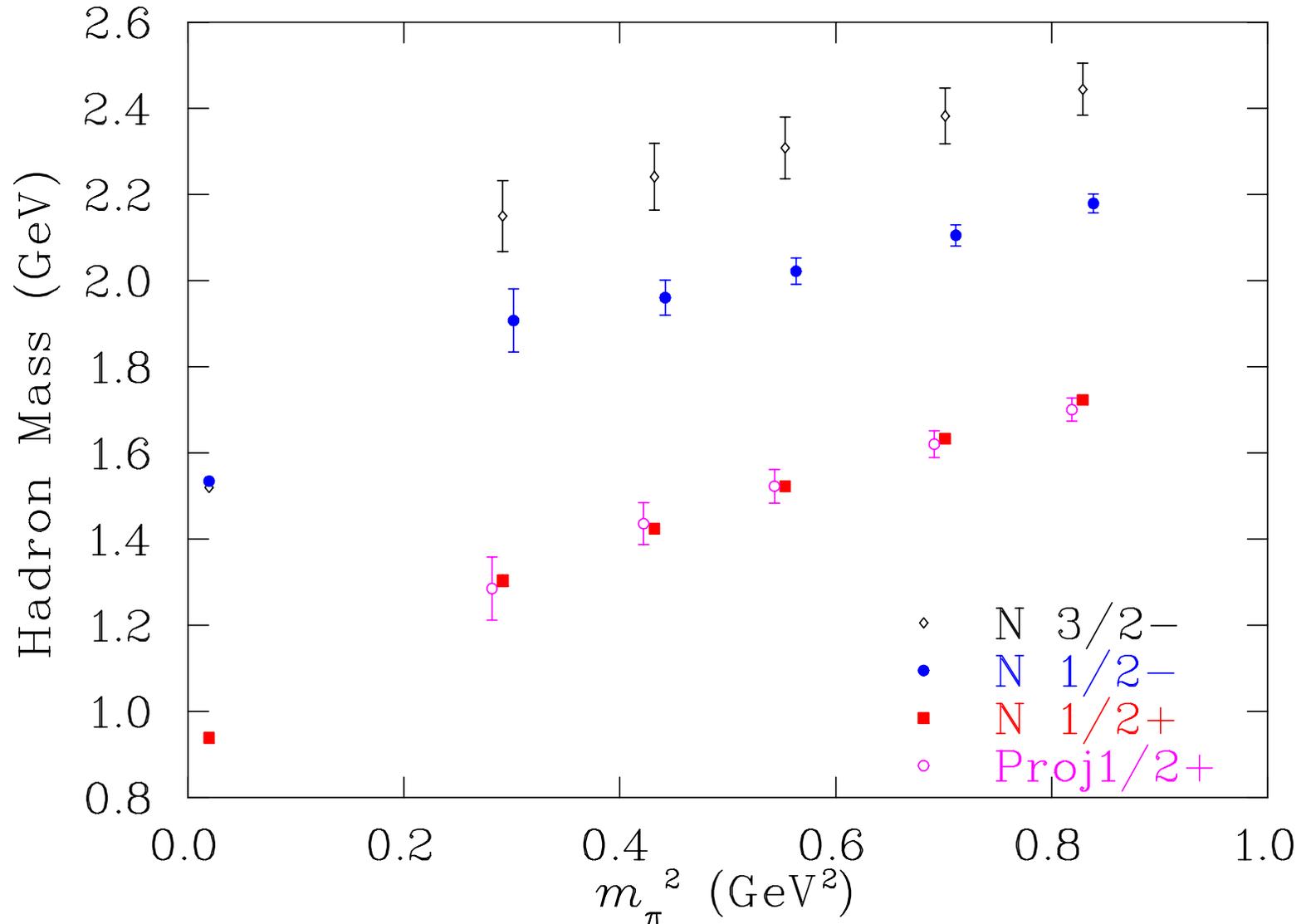
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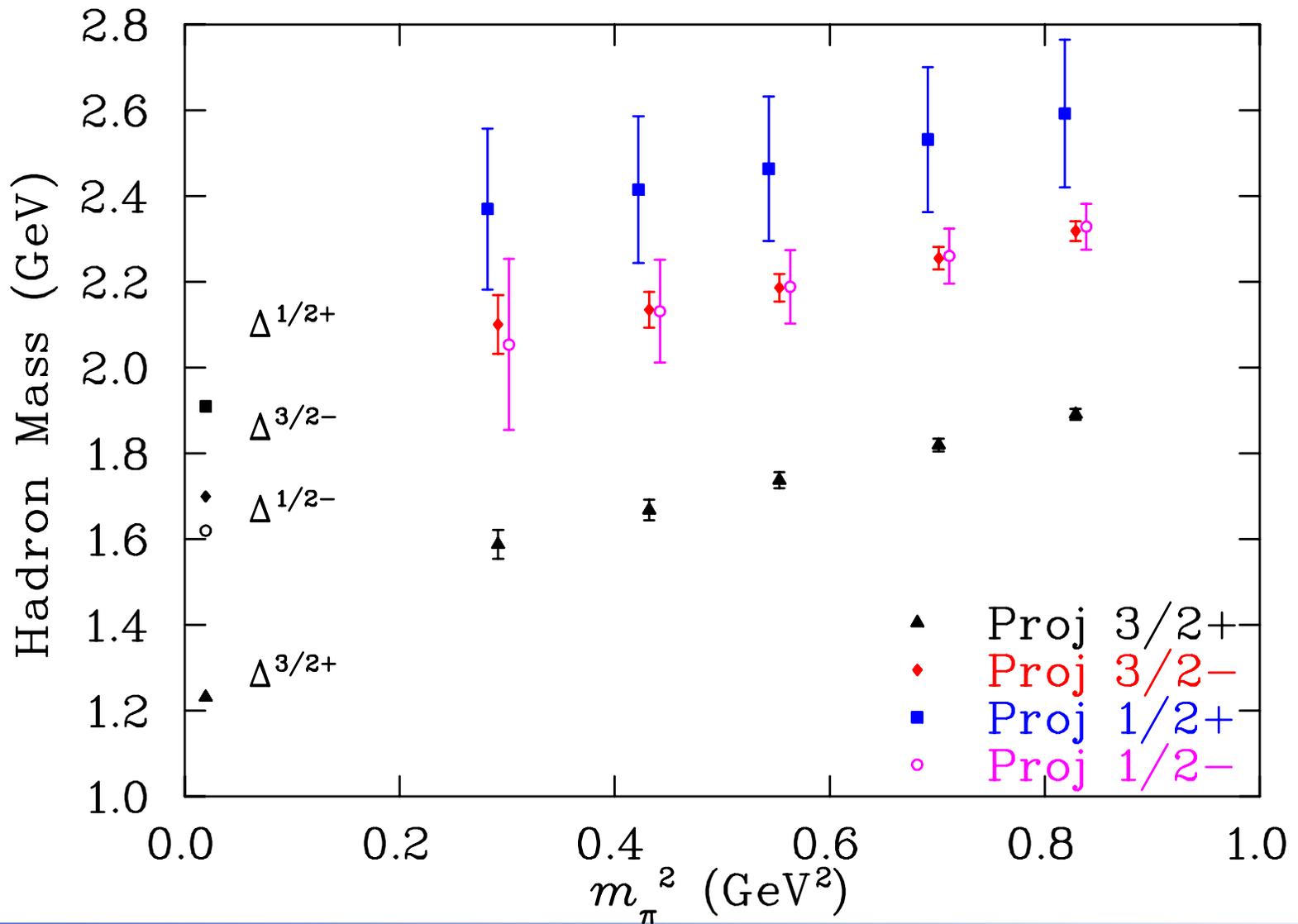
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- A  $\bar{q}q$  system is an eigenstate of parity with  $P = (-1)^{L+1}$
- Charge conjugation applied to a neutral system provides  $C = (-1)^{L+S}$
- For  $S = 0$ , the total angular momentum  $J = L$  and  $CP = -1$ .  
 $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}, 1^{+-}, 2^{-+}, \dots$
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# Hybrid Meson Interpolators

- Combine the following ingredients:
  - $\bar{q}^a \Gamma q^a$ : colour singlet quark bilinear
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